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## Students Help Harry Celebrate.



**OLD FRIENDS GET TOGETHER** for the birthday luncheon for Harry Truman at the Hotel President. Chatting with the former President are Vice-President Lyndon Johnson (right) and Adm. Robert L. Dennison, supreme NATO commander in the Atlantic.

**S**TANDING near the piano he played in the triumph of his 1948 election, Harry S. Truman shook hands today with 53 American Field service foreign students at an informal reception at the Hotel Muehlebach.

The former President, was cheerful and talkative as he greeted the students in the hotel's presidential suite.

Also on hand at the event, part of Mr. Truman's 78th birthday celebration, were old friends, former administration members and business and political associates.

Drawing the greatest attention, next to Truman, was Vice-President Lyndon Johnson. At

one point, the vice-president was called away for a long-distance telephone conversation, and when he returned there was an animated conversation between him, Truman, and Rep. Richard Bolling.

The presidential suite is full of old memories for the former president. On the wall are plaques commemorating his signing of the Boan convention, which set up West Germany, and his aid to Greece program.

As the students filed by, some of them in national costumes, they were photographed shaking hands with Truman.

Each student received a copy of his picture with the former

president, and other copies were to be distributed throughout the world by the United States Information agency.

Among those attending the reception were Jesse M. Donaldson, former postmaster general; James P. McGranery, attorney general under Truman; John W. Snyder, former secretary of the Treasury; Admiral Stephen W. Sowers (Ret.), former presidential assistant who helped set up the Central Intelligence agency; George Killian, David Nease, and Edwin A. Locke, Jr., former presidential assistants; Lt. Gen. Louis W. Truman, who was a cousin of the late Maj. Gen. Philip H. Truman, who was a cousin of the former President.